

Authorizing the President to posthumously award the Medal of Honor to Alwyn C. Cashe for acts of valor during Operation Iraqi Freedom: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 8276, to authorize the President to posthumously award the Medal of Honor to Alwyn C. Cashe for acts of valor during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

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Women's History and Nineteenth Amendment Centennial Quarter Dollar Coin Program Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 1923, to amend title 31, United States Code, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue quarter dollars in commemoration of the Nineteenth Amendment, as amended by Representative Cleaver.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend title 31, United States Code, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue certain circulating collectible coins, and for other purposes.”.

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Negro Leagues Baseball Centennial Commemorative Coin Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 4104, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint a coin in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Negro Leagues baseball, as amended by Representative Cleaver.

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1921 Silver Dollar Coin Anniversary Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass H.R. 6192, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to honor the 100th anniversary of completion of coinage of the “Morgan Dollar” and the 100th anniversary of commencement of coinage of the “Peace Dollar”, as amended by Representative Cleaver.

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Merrill's Marauders Congressional Gold Medal Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 743, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the soldiers of the 5307th Composite Unit (Provisional), commonly known as “Merrill's Marauders”, in recognition of their bravery and outstanding service in the jungles of Burma during World War II.

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Senate Referrals: S. 924 was held at the desk. S. 1160 was held at the desk. S. 1646 was held at the desk. S. 4072 was held at the desk. S. Con. Res. 45 was held at the desk.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4650.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4687–88, H4688, and H4704–05.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MODERNIZATION OF THE CONVENTIONAL AMMUNITION PRODUCTION INDUSTRIAL BASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing entitled “Modernization of the Conventional Ammunition Production Industrial Base”. Testimony was heard from Bruce Jette, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology, Department of the Army; and General Edward M. Daly, U.S. Army, Commanding General, Army Materiel Command.

OVERSIGHT OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S AND FEDERAL RESERVE'S PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Treasury Department's and Federal Reserve's Pandemic Response”. Testimony was heard from Steven Mnuchin, Secretary, Department of the Treasury; and Jerome Powell, Chair, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

STEMMING A RECEDING TIDE: HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRATIC VALUES IN ASIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Nonproliferation held a hearing entitled “Stemming a Receding Tide: Human Rights and Democratic Values in Asia”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DIVERSITY AND DIPLOMACY: ASSESSING THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S RECORD IN PROMOTING DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Diversity and Diplomacy: Assessing the State Department's Record in Promoting Diversity and Inclusion”. Testimony was heard from Carol Z. Perez, Director General of the Foreign Service and Director of Global Talent, Department of State; and Gregory B. Smith, Director and Chief Diversity Officer, Office of Civil Rights, Department of State.

MAINTAINING JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE AND THE RULE OF LAW: EXAMINING THE CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCES OF COURT CAPTURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet held a hearing

entitled “Maintaining Judicial Independence and the Rule of Law: Examining the Causes and Consequences of Court Capture”. Testimony was heard from Senator Whitehouse and public witnesses.

TRUMP ADMINISTRATION BROKEN PROMISES ON RENEWABLE ENERGY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Trump Administration Broken Promises on Renewable Energy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S AFGHANISTAN STRATEGY, PART 2

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing entitled “Examining the Trump Administration's Afghanistan Strategy, Part 2”. Testimony was heard from Zalmay Khalilzad, Special Representative for Afghanistan Reconciliation, Department of State; and David F. Helvey, Performing the Duties of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Indo-Pacific Security Affairs, Department of Defense.

Joint Meetings

CORONAVIRUS

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the economic impact of America's failure to contain the Coronavirus, after receiving testimony from Ashish K. Jha, Brown University School of Public Health, Providence, Rhode Island; Austan D. Goolsbee, University of Chicago Booth School of Business, Chicago, Illinois; and Adam Michel, The Heritage Foundation, and Jeffrey A. Singer, Cato Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2 p.m., SR-325.

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing on Department of Defense cyber operations in support of efforts to protect the integrity of U.S. national elections from malign actors, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine the Congressional Budget Office's updated budget outlook, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the need for federal data privacy legislation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the Endangered Species Act Amendments of 2020, focusing on modernizing the Endangered Species Act, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine COVID-19, focusing on an update on the federal response, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Chad F. Wolf, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 3126, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize a special behavioral health program for Indians, S. 3264, to expedite and streamline the deployment of affordable broadband service on Tribal land, S. 3937, to amend section 330C of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize special programs for Indians for providing services for the prevention and treatment of diabetes, S. 4079, to authorize the Seminole Tribe of Florida to lease or transfer certain land, and S. 4556, to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Indian Health Service, to acquire private land to facilitate access to the Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center in Hemet, California, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 4393, to improve the provision of health care and other benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs for veterans who were exposed to toxic substances, and S. 4511, to make certain improvements in the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs relating to education, burial benefits, and other matters, 11:40 a.m., S-211, Capitol.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Role of Allies and Partners in U.S. Military Strategy and Operations”, 12 p.m., CVC and Webex.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Health Care Lifeline: The Affordable Care Act and the COVID-19 Pandemic”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, Energy, and the Environment, hearing entitled “Green Recovery Plans for the COVID-19 Crisis”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, hearing entitled “Immigrants as Essential Workers During COVID-19”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis, hearing entitled “Hybrid Hearing with Federal Reserve Chair Jerome H. Powell”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.